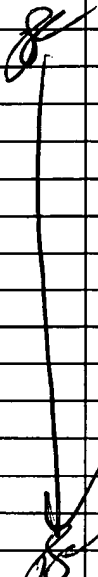
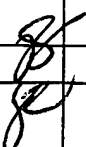



<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION</b> (PTO-1449)	<b>ATTY. DOCKET NO.</b> 55218-0511	<b>SERIAL NO.</b> 09/911,925
	<b>APPLICANT:</b> Ashar Aziz et al.	
	<b>FILING DATE:</b> July 23, 2001	<b>GROUP:</b> 3624

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Exam. Initial*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (If known)			
		4,591,967		Mattes et al.	05-27-1986	
		5,163,130		Hullot	11-10-1992	
		5,504,670		Barth et al.	04-02-1996	
		5,574,914		Hancock, et al.	11-12-1996	
		5,590,284		Crosetto	12-31-1996	
		5,659,786		George et al.	08-19-1997	
		5,751,967		Raab et al.	05-12-1998	
		5,819,042		Hansen	10-06-1998	
		5,821,937		Tonelli et al.	10-13-1998	
		5,878,232		Marimuthu	03-02-1999	
		5,951,683		Yuuki et al.	09-14-1999	
		5,974,563		Beeler, Jr.	10-26-1999	
		6,182,139	B1	Brendal	01-30-2001	
		6,219,699	B1	McGloghrie et al.	04-17-2001	
		6,223,218	B1	Iijima	04-24-2001	

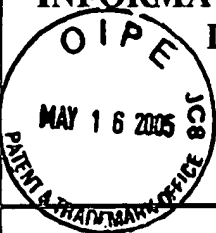
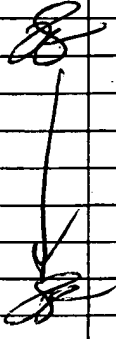
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Exam. Initial*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
		Office <sup>3</sup>	Number <sup>4</sup>	Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (If known)				
		EP	0 262 750	A2	Thinking Machines Corporation	04-06-1988		
		EP	0 490 624	A2	International Business Machines Corporation	06-17-1992		

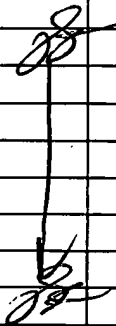
<b>Examiner Signature</b> 	<b>Date Considered</b> 07/21/05
---	------------------------------------


\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup>Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup>See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. <sup>3</sup>Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard S.3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>6</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

<b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION</b> (PTO-1449)				<b>ATTY. DOCKET NO.</b> 55218-0511	<b>SERIAL NO.</b> 09/911,925	
				<b>APPLICANT:</b> Ashar Aziz et al.		
				<b>FILING DATE:</b> July 23, 2001	<b>GROUP:</b> 3624	
<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>						
Exam. Initial*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (If known)			
		6,230,200	B1	Forecast et al.	05-08-2001	
		6,381,321	B1	Brown et al.	04-30-2002	
		6,389,432	B1	Pothapragada et al.	05-14-2002	
		6,446,141	B1	Nolan et al.	09-03-2002	
		6,466,559	B1	Johansson et al.	10-15-2002	
		6,505,229	B1	Turner et al.	01-07-2003	
		6,597,956		Aziz et al.	07-22-2003	
		6,779,016	B1	Aziz et al.	08-17-2004	

<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>								
Exam. Initial*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sup>6</sup>
		Office <sup>3</sup> Code <sup>3</sup>  (If known)	Number <sup>4</sup>	Kind  (If known)				
		EP	0 750 256	A2	Data General Corporation	12-27-1996		
		EP	0 791 881	A1	Compaq Computer Corporation	08-27-1997		
		EP	0 905 621	A1	Lucent Technologies Inc.	03-31-1999		
		EP	0 917 056	A2	Digital Equipment Corporation	05-19-1999		
		EP	0 935 200	A1	NCR International Corporation	08-11-1999		
		WO	97/49214	A1	Netsys Technologies, Inc.	12-24-1997		
		WO	99/57957	A2	Apple Computer, Inc.	11-18-1999		
		WO	00/29954	A1	MTI Technology Corporation	05-25-2000		

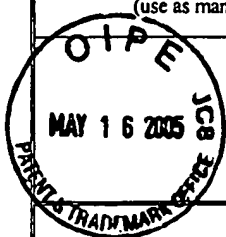
<b>Examiner Signature</b> 	<b>Date Considered</b> 8/2/01
--	----------------------------------

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup>Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup>See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. <sup>3</sup>Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard S.3). <sup>4</sup>For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup>Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>6</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

Substitute for Form 1449A/PTO (Modified) (use as many sheets as necessary)	ATTY. DOCKET NO. 55218-0511	SERIAL NO. 09/911,925
	APPLICANT: Ashar Aziz et al.	
	FILING DATE: July 23, 2001	GROUP: 3624



**OTHER ART - NO PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published	Translation <sup>2</sup>
<i>JS</i>		Fox, Armando, et al., "Cluster-Based Scalable Network Services," pp. 78-91, Operating Systems Review (SIGOPS), US, ACM Headquarter, New York, Vol. 31, No. 5, December 1, 1997, XP-000771023.	
		Harold, Elliotte Rusty, "XML: Extensible Markup Language," 1998, pp. 1-431.	
		Muller, Nathan J., "Design and Conquer," October 1996, <i>BYTE</i> , vol. 21, no. 10, XP 000683573, pp. 93-98.	
		Prud'hommeaux, Eric, "XML-based HTTP Server Configuration Language," <a href="http://www.w3.org/1999/07/9-http-server-conf.html">http://www.w3.org/1999/07/9-http-server-conf.html</a> , September 7, 1999, XP-002152599, pp. 1-5.	
		Short, Rob, et al., "Windows NT Clusters for Availability and Scalability," 1997 IEEE, pp. 8-13.	
<i>JS</i>		Vingralek, Radek, et al., "Snowball: Scalable Storage on Networks of Workstations with Balanced Load," pp. 117-156, Distributed and Parallel Databases, Vol. 6, no. 2, April 1998, XP-002162201.	

Examiner Signature 	Date Considered 08/21/05
------------------------	-----------------------------

\*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication.

<sup>1</sup>Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup>Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.